

## ALMOST A TRAGEDY.

## The Organ of Kawaiahao Damaged by Fire.

On Saturday evening, about twenty-five minutes past 7 o'clock, the second alarm of fire for the day was sounded, calling the department to the Kawaiahao church. Already a large number of people had taken their seats in the church to listen to the concert by the students of Kamehameha school. Large lamps were hung in several parts of the building, one directly over the bench occupied by the organist, while another was suspended over the center of the pulpit platform. Without any warning, the first-named lamp fell with a crash, and immediately there was an immense flame of fire, as these lamps hold considerable oil. Mr. Berger's band boys were just taking their seats in the gallery at the time, and they at once did all they could to put out the flames, eventually being successful, but not before the lower part of the organ was badly scorched. Of course there was considerable excitement among the audience, many getting up from their seats to leave the building. To add to the excitement, the lamp over the platform also fell. Willing hands, with presence of mind, took up the coconut matting from the aisle of the church and smothered the flames. The whole affair lasted a very short time, and then the concert proceeded. When the fire department arrived, their services were scarcely required.

Mr. Berger, the bandmaster, had a very narrow escape, for if the lamp over the organ seat had fallen five minutes later he would have been on the seat, and the result probably serious. Near the organ seat stood two double bass instruments and two violoncellos, which the boys managed to get away before the flames reached them. Some music belonging to the band was burned. The lamps were suspended by both wire and rope, and it looks as if the wire had given out.

Yesterday afternoon Messrs. Berger, Wray Taylor and Harrison, the piano tuner, made a thorough investigation of the damage done to the organ. The lower part of the black walnut case is badly scorched, and the organ seat was entirely burned. Had there been no panel above the pedal board, there is no doubt that the entire action of both keyboards would have been burned, because it is so delicate in its construction. As it was, the panel saved the action. The two keyboards will have to be taken out and thoroughly dried and repaired, as it is impossible to play on them. It is quite likely that after drying the ivories may come off. The pedal board will have to be taken out and the action repaired. The flooring all round the organ seat is badly scorched. The stop knobs are all black, and one cannot read the letters. It will take quite a little time to fix the instrument. Work on it will be commenced at once. In the meantime a reed organ will be used at the services.

## INTERRED WITH HONORS.

## The Last Sad Rites Over the Drowned Midshipman.

The funeral of Midshipman Hara of the Japanese cruiser Tahachiho, who was drowned on Thursday morning, took place Friday, and proved to be an imposing affair. Detachments from the Adams, Philadelphia and the Champion were in line as a mark of respect. The funeral services were held on board of the Japanese cruiser, after which the coffin was placed in a barge. This barge contained the pallbearers, most of whom were brother officers of the dead man. A few minutes after 9 o'clock the funeral procession started from the cruiser, and while it was moving towards the wharf minute guns were fired. It was led by a gig containing the carriage detail. The firing party of forty men came next, then the captain's launch, followed by the barge containing the body and boats loaded with officers and men. When the boat landing was reached the body was taken ashore and placed on a gun carriage. Then the procession was formed as follows: The flagship band; the firing party from the Takachiho; then the gun carriage with the body; followed by the commander, officers and men of the Japanese cruiser and blue-jackets from the U. S. S. Adams and Philadelphia, and H. B. M. S. Champion. Carriages came in the rear containing officers of the different warships and members of Colonel Soper's staff. The procession moved slowly to the Makiki cemetery, where the body was interred with the honors befitting the station of the deceased. The streets along the line of march were thronged with people to witness the funeral pageant.

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